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Constitution and Rules of Order.

ARTICLE 1.—This Association shall consist of Delegates, representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those Churches, and shall be styled the "Western N. B. Baptist Association."

ARTICLE 2.—The objects of this Association shall be the collection of statistical and other information from the Churches, the cultivation of mutual acquaintance and fraternal union, the production of individual godliness, and the spiritual prosperity of the Churches; and, in the use of scriptural means the enlargement of the Redeemer's kingdom.

ARTICLE 3.—The Association shall meet annually at 2 o'clock, p. m., on the second Tuesday in July, at such place as they shall appoint; notice of which shall be given in the Minutes, and in the denominational paper. The meeting shall be opened with Social Conference; after which the officers and committees shall be appointed. Every meeting held by adjournment from time to time during the session of the Association, shall be opened and concluded by prayer.

ARTICLE 4.—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one delegate or more; but no Church however numerous, shall be entitled to a greater number than five, in addition to their Pastor.

ARTICLE 5.—At each meeting of the Association, the Delegates shall deliver to the Clerk of the preceding year, immediately on their arrival, the Letters from the Churches; a list of the Delegates having been prepared by the Clerk, their names shall be called, and they shall take their places. The Moderator of the preceding year shall call the vote for a Moderator by ballot without nomination, and the person who shall be chosen by a majority of the members present, shall upon his acceptance lead the meeting to the choice of a Clerk. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the transactions of the meeting, and maintain due order among the members. The Association shall appoint two Committees—one on arrangements, and one to nominate all other Committees. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a fair and impartial record of all the doings of the Association during the session and furnish a correct copy for the press.

ARTICLE 6.—It shall be the duty of each Church to send by its Messengers a letter to the Association, giving an account of its state, particularly of the addition and diminution within the last year; and generally of whatever relates to its peace and prosperity, together with the whole number of members in communion. It shall also forward money for the printing of the minutes.

ARTICLE 7.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of their faith and order; this being done, and a vote of acceptance taken, the Moderator shall, on behalf of the Association, give to one of their Messengers (if any be present) the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE 8.—When a Church shall neglect to make any communication to the Association for three years successively, it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us, and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members request its continuance, and shall engage to enquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE 9.—Although as an Association we disclaim all power over the Churches, so far as respects any interference with their independance and discipline, yet we deem it our privilege to judge for ourselves of the propriety of continuing any Church or Minister in our connection, who to us shall appear to be unscriptural in principle, or irregular in practice. In order, however that we may not withdraw our fellowship, without sufficient reason from any church or minister against whom a complaint is made by two members of this body, it shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a committee to investigate the points of complaint, and report the results of their enquiries to the Association, that they may decide as duty shall appear.

ARTICLE 10.—Alterations and amendments may be made in this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular session.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1 That each meeting be opened with prayer.
- 2 That motions be made and seconded according to parliamentary usage.
- 3 That no delegate speak more than twice to the same motion.
- 4 That every motion be written out and handed to the Clerk.
- 5 That motions that are lost be not recorded.
- 6 That invited members enjoy the privileges of delegates, except voting.
- 7 That these resolutions be read at each session,

MINUTES.

JACKSONTOWN, N. B.,

June 25th, 1889.

The forty-second annual session of the New Brunswick Western Baptist Association convened in the Baptist Church at Jacksontown this day at 2 p. m.

The Association observed its usual custom, and held a social conference, which was presided over by Rev. W. M. Edwards.

The following is the list of delegates that were in attendance:—

Ordained Ministers:—T. Todd, E. J. Grant, C. Currie, S. D. Irvine, W. M. Edwards, J. C. Blackney, T. A. Blackadar, W. E. McIntyre, A. H. Hayward, H. A. Charlton, C. Henderson, B. Jewett, J. A. Porter, B. H. Thomas, P. Q. Reese, S. J. Archibald, J. W. S. Young, Geo. Howard, J. G. Harvey, W. H. Beckwith.

Other Members:—Dea. H. Ridgewell, A. Ridgewell, Dea. Vandine, Dea. E. Mills, D. Porter, H. N. Wiggins, Geo. W. Hovey, Wm. Kennedy, Benj. Estey, R. Estabrooks, W. S. Saunders, J. W. Tabor, M. S. Hall, J. G. McNally, H. G. Estey, G. W. Currie, E. Sloat, C. E. Peley, J. Alexander, F. G. Burttt, C. A. West, Dea. Hiram Clerk, Z. O. Wilson, Thos. A. Black, Fenwick Wright, C. R. Minard, (Lic.) S. N. Estabrook, W. A. Hayward, H. S. A. Belyea, S. Bubar, J. W. Ferris, H. Cameron, W. Swim, J. Bauford, Geo. Mersereau, Dea. Alex. Walker, H. Y. Corey, (Lic.) W. Tompkins, J. Bridges, C. Plummer, J. Hoben, David Weston, J. W. Coy, Geo. Price. (Lic.) A. Pond, A. Hovey, A. Long, R. Hannah, F. E. Good, J. McCready, B. Burttt, H. Burttt, G. C. Watson, R. Alexander, W. Kitchen, F. Estey, J. Connelly,

W. Estey, D. Currie, C. J. Shaw, J. Cook, C. P. Wilson, (Lic.) R. Porter, J. R. Barton, Dea. P. Hoyt, Edw. Mersereau, Geo. Lund, C. J. Connely, J. Shaw, C. A. Plummer, J. E. McCready, S. W. Sherwood, H. Brown, Delegate N. S. Western, Association, Rev. A. Cohoon.

Invited Brethren:—Rev. Prof. Kierstead, C. Goodspeed, D. D., J. E. Hopper, D. D., Bro. W. V. Higgins, (Lic.) Rev. F. S. Todd, Rev. John Perry, F. C. B.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—

Moderator—Rev. Thos. Todd, Woodstock,

Clerk—Rev. B. H. Thomas, Maugerville,

Asst. Clerk—Bro. C. P. Wilson, (Lic.) Maugerville,

Treasurer—Bro. M. S. Hall, Fredericton.

The Association then appointed the following committees:

On Arrangements:—Revs. S. J. Archibald, E. J. Grant, B. Jewett, J. G. Harvey, Bro. M. S. Hall.

On Nominations:—Revs. J. C. Blackney, W. E. McIntyre, C. Currie, T. A. Blackadar, C. Henderson.

Committee on Nominations submitted a partial report to the following effect:—

“Committee to read church letters:—Revs. A. H. Hayward, T. A. Blackadar, W. E. McIntyre.”

Committee on Arrangements reported as follows:—

“That the Rev. Prof. Kierstead, M. A. of Acadia College preach this evening at 7.30 p. m., after which the reading of Church Letters he resumed; Association to close at will.”

Adjourned to meet this evening. Prayer by Rev. H. A. Charlton.

TUESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The first part of the second session was given to a regular preaching service. The sermon delivered by Prof. Kierstead was a masterly exposition of practical truth. Text Psalm 145, 4th verse.

Bro. H. Y. Corey, (Lic.) of Acadia College assisted in the service.

A collection was taken for Convention Fund, after which the reading of Church Letters was resumed.

Committee on Arrangements prepared the following programme, and submitted it as their report which was on motion adopted:—

That there be a prayer-meeting held at 8 a. m., the Association to open at 9 a. m. and that the Associational Sermon be preached at 11, preacher Rev. W. M. Edwards.

Further: That the report on education be submitted on Wednesday afternoon to be spoken to by Prof. Kierstead Rev. J. E. Hopper D. D., and C. Goodspeed, D. D.

Again that the report on Sabbath Schools be presented, this report to be spoken to by Revs. C. Currie and S. D. Irvine.

Also that the evening session be devoted to Home and Foreign Missions—Speakers of the evening, Rev. A. Cohoon, Bro. W. V. Higgins, Missionary elect to India, and Rev. A. H. Hayward.

The Doxology was then sung and the Association closed with prayer by Rev. J. E. Hopper, D. D.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

June 26th.

Association opened at the appointed hour, Moderator in the chair—prayer by Rev. J. W. S. Young.

Clerk read the Minutes of previous session, which were approved as read.

The reading of Church Letters was resumed and concluded.

A motion to accept the invitation of the Upper Gagetown Church, for the Association to hold its next annual gathering with them, was made, and after some discussion was carried.

Committee on Nomination appointed Brethren H. G. Estey, H. A. Charlton, W. H. Beckwith and Chas. Shaw as a Committee to examine New Letters.

The Associational Sermon was preached at 11 a. m. by Rev. W. M. Edwards, Subject: "Christianity a vital power."

WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Committee to examine new letters reported recommending that the new churches sending them be received into the Association.

On motion resolved that this report lie on the Table.

On motion adjourned to meet at 2 p. m. Prayer by Rev. W. H. Beckwith.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called upon Rev. Geo. Howard to open the Association with prayer.

On motion the report of Committee to examine new letters, was taken from the Table, and the discussion resumed. After a somewhat lengthy debate; Rev. Dr. Goodspeed, submitted the following resolution.

Resolved, that in dealing with the cases of the St. Francis and 2nd Sheffield Churches, we receive them into our Association, recognizing the special circumstances of each case. At the same time we express our deep regret that councils had not been called from sister churches to recognize them, and do not desire to have this action construed into a precedent.

This resolution was on motion passed; and the Pastor of these churches, Rev. C. Henderson and Rev. B. H. Thomas being present, as delegates of said churches received the hand of fellowship, by Rev. T. Todd, Moderator of the Association.

At this stage of the session Rev. W. E. McIntyre submitted the report on Education. The report was spoken to by Rev. Prof. Kierstead, who by a scholarly speech presented the claims of Acadia College; by Rev. J. E. Hopper, D. D., who presented in his usual forcible manner the wants of the St. Martin's Baptist Seminary; by Rev. C. Goodspeed, D. D.

Report on Sabbath Schools was read by Rev. Geo. Howard:—after the report was spoken to by Rev. S. D. Irvine and W. H. Beckwith, it was on motion adopted.

Rev. E. J. Grant presented the following:

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Whereas it is of vital importance that our churches should be brought to realize their responsibility in regard to the sabbath schools, *and whereas* it is a fact that many of our schools are not under the direct control of the churches.

Therefore resolved, that this association call the attention of the churches to this fact, and earnestly recommend that when the school shall have selected its staff of Officers and Teachers, that that selection be submitted to the church for its approval. This resolution was on motion carried most heartily and unanimously.

Rev. T. A. Blackadar submitted the following:

Whereas, in the judgment of this body the time might be more profitably employed than by reading the church letters in detail; therefore, *resolved* that the churches be requested to send in their letters, written as usual, to the clerk of the Association at least three weeks before the time of our next annual meeting; to be digested by him, and read before the body.

The resolution was adopted, and the clerk was also instructed to send the above resolution to the "Messenger and Visitor" for publication one month previous to our gathering.

Adjourned to meet at 7.30.

Benediction by Rev. C. Henderson.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The fifth session of our Association was opened with prayer by Bro. W. V. Higgins, (Lic.)

Report on Home Missions was read by the chairman

Bro. C. P. Wilson, (Lic.)

Rev. A. Cohoon delivered an interesting speech and the report was on motion—adopted.

Rev. E. J. Grant then read the report on Foreign Missions:—the report was spoken to by Rev. W. V. Higgins, B. A. missionary elect to India.

Report carried.

Rev. A. Cohoon made a special appeal for help on behalf of "Birch Ridge Meeting House" building fund, this appeal was responded to by a collection of \$21.00.

Committee of Arrangements made a further report.

Prayer meeting at 8 a. m., at 9 p. m., regular business of Association to be resumed. The report on *Denominational Literature* to be submitted at this session; also the report on *Temperance*.

After singing the Doxology the Moderator pronounced the Benediction.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. F. S. Todd.

Bro. M. S. Hall submitted the following resolution which was on motion adopted:—

“Resolved, that this Association in response to the wish of many of its members publish the Minutes, and issue them to the Churches asw as formerly done, and each Church receive number corresponding to amount of money sent.”

The following motion was passed by the Association:—

“Resolved, that the Clerk of this Association inform the New Maryland Church that Mr. Isaac Lewis who now labors with them is not a Licentiate or Ordained Minister of our body.”

By motion of Bro. Beckwith, the following committee was appointed to superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes of this Association:—Rev. B. H. Thomas, C. P. Wilson, M. S. Hall, H. C. Creed, H. G. Estey.

On motion Rev. J. W. S. Young and Bro. James Coldwell were appointed as a committee to look after the property located in Upper Southampton, and formerly deeded to this Association.

Committee on Denominational Literature submitted their report through their Chairman:—the following brethren took part in the discussion that followed, Revs. B. Jewett, E. G. Grant, S. J. Archibald, H. A. Charlton, J. W. S. Young, P. O. Reese, Dr. Goodspeed, Bros. M. S. Hall, H. G. Estey. Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, benediction by Moderator.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association opened with prayer by Rev. S. J. Archibald. Minutes read, and approved as read.

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The Treasurer, M. S. Hall, submitted his report and on motion report was received and adopted.

Associational Letters that were late in arriving were read.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the preacher of the Associational Sermon be requested to forward the MS of his sermon to the "Messenger and Visitor" for publication.

The report on Temperance was submitted by Rev. S. D. Irvine, and spoken to by Rev. E. J. Grant and Rev. W. H. Beckwith, after which it was on motion adopted.

Revs. W. E. McIntyre and Geo. Howard were appointed a committee to revise list of Ordained Ministers and Licentiates.

Rev. S. J. Archibald moved that we open a discussion on "Systematic Beneficence," Revs. A. Cohoon, B. H. B. H. Thomas, S. J. Archibald took part in the discussion that followed.

The following committees were appointed to report next year.

COMMITTEES FOR 1890.

Home Missions.—Rev. S. J. Archibald, Bro. Robt. Hannah.

Foreign Missions.—Rev. E. J. Grant, Rev. P. R. Knight.

Sabbath Schools.—Bro. J. W. Spurden, M. S. Hall.

Education.—Rev. W. E. McIntyre, Rev. Geo. Howard.

Denominational Literature.—Rev. C. Currie, Rev. A.

B. McDonald.

Temperance.—Rev. J. A. Porter, Rev. S. D. Irvine.

Special Business.—Rev. B. H. Thomas, Rev. T. A.

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To examine Circular Letter.—Rev. F. D. Crawley, Rev. E. J. Grant.

Systematic Benevolence, Chairman of Districts in Association.

Committee on Arrangements.—Rev. W. E. McIntyre, F. E. Good, Rev. M. P. King, Rev. F. D. Crawley, Rev. A. B. McDonald.

Travelling Committee.—Bros. M. S. Hall, D. W. Estabrook.

Rev. B. H. Thomas moved that a committee be appointed to re-arrange the grouping of Churches in the interest of Convention Fund. Revs. G. Howard, S. J. Archibald and W. E. McIntyre constituted that Committee.

The Clerk was instructed to correspond with the Churches who have neglected to send letters for some time past, with the view of encouraging them to forward letters in the future.

Committee to re-arrange groupes, reported "that the groups as now arranged remain as they are, retaining the same chairman, except Jacksonville group, of which group, Rev. S. J. Archibald be chairman, and Centreville, of which Rev. Geo. Howard be chairman.

On motion, *Resolved* that the publishing committee be empowered to draw on the Treasurer to the extent of amount sent in by the churches for the specific purpose of publishing Minutes.

Delegates to *Convention* were elected as follows:—
W. S. Saunders, S. N. Estabrook, F. E. Good, A. Pond, H. N. Wiggins, John Connelly.

Eastern Association.—Rev. S. J. Archibald, A. B. MacDonald, Thos. Todd.

Southern Association.—Rev. W. E. McIntyre Bro. Z. O. Wilson.

The customary votes of thanks were taken and heartily passed.

On motion adjourned to meet at Upper Gagetown, the fourth Tuesday in June, 1890. Benediction by Moderator.

THOS. TODD, MODERATOR.

B. H. THOMAS, CLERK.

ADDENDA:—

To preach Associational Sermon for 1890:—Rev. P. R. Knight, alternate, Rev. F. D. Crawley.

To write Circular Letter:—Rev. T. Todd.

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Upper Newcastle and Northfield church, Minutes,	65
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Blissfield church, Convention Fund,	6 20
Blissfield church, Minutes,	1 50
Upper Queensbury church, Minutes,	50
Temperance Vale church, Convention Fund,	7 32
Upper Queensbury church, "	7 35
Salmon Creek church, Minutes,	1 00
Lower Woodstock, church, "	90
Nashwaak church, "	1 00
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Mill Cove church, Convention Fund,	9 00
McDonald's Corner, "	10 00
McDonald's Corner, Minutes,	50
Second Cambridge Sunday School, Foreign Missions	5 68
Thos. O'Donnell, "	1 00
Upper Gagetown church, Minutes,	1 00
Second Cambridge church, Foreign Missions,	12 14
Second Cambridge church, Convention Fund,	14 75
Rockland church, Minutes,	2 17
First Grand Lake church, Minutes,	1 00
Second Johnston church, "	50
Second Johnston church, Conference Fund,	10 50
South Richmond church, "	5 00
South Richmond church, Minutes,	1 00
Richmond and Hodgson church, Convention Fund,	6 50
Richmond and Hodgson church, Minutes,	60

WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Maple Grove church, Foreign Missions,	\$3 00-
Wakefield church, Minutes,	1 40
Prince William church, "	1 00
Forest Glen, "	50
Birch Ridge, "	31
Collection, Convention Fund,	16 90
Maugerville church, Minutes,	1 18
Newcastle, G. Lake, church, "	1 00
Windsor church, "	25
Richard Cochran, Houlton, "	30
Thos. Anderson, Jacksontown, Minutes,	10
Jacksontown church, Convention Fund,	10 50
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Wiggins Cove church, Minutes,	1 00
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ABERDEEN:—This church reports the cause in a low state. They are praying for better days.

ANDOVER:—This church reports a membership of 66—seven baptized during the year—two received on experience.

AVONDALE:—This little church tells us that their membership is in a very weak state—death has done its work, and a member removed to other parts.

ARTHURETTE:—No advance during the year—the faithful few are holding on.

BENTON: This band of Believers report progress—nine have been baptized—prospects good.

BIRCH RIDGE:—Erecting a house of worship—outlook hopeful.

BLISSFIELD:—The year closed “without any work of God’s displeasure”—three baptized.

BLOOMFIELD:—No letter.

BRIGHT (African):—No letter.

CALVARY (African):—No letter.

CAMBRIDGE, 1ST.—The Clerk writes, “some mercy drops have fallen upon us”—four were baptized.

CAMBRIDGE, 2ND.—This is one of our strongest country churches. They have enjoyed a glorious revival, twenty have been baptized. Present membership 192.

CAMBRIDGE, LOWER:—Sent no letter.

CANNING AND SHEFFIELD.—This church is one of the oldest in the Association. Six were added during the year. Five by baptism, one on experience.

CARDIGAN.—This branch of Zion reports interest good. Five baptized at Woodland, a Mission Station.

CARLISLE.—“Prayer and social meetings well sustained.” No pastor.

CENTREVILLE.—This strong church is meeting with marked success, all along the line of christian work. Eight were baptized.

CHIPMAN.—No report.

CANTERBURY, 1ST.—Nothing reported.

CANTERBURY, 2ND.—Not reported.

- DUMFRIES.—No letter.
- FSK, NORTH.—Reports no advance.
- FLORENCEVILLE.—Enjoyed a highly prosperous year. Nine believers were baptized.
- FLORENCEVILLE, EAST.—Without Pastoral care. No additions to the main church. Five baptized at an out-station by general home missionary.
- FOREST GLEN.—Enjoyed many tokens of divine goodness. Three were immersed.
- FREDERICTON.—The Clerk of this "model church writes, "we have thankfully to record a considerable number of additions, chiefly by baptism. But on account of an unusual number of deaths the actual increase is not large." They report a new interest at Gibson.
- GAGETOWN, UPPER.—These Brethren enjoyed a most glorious display of God's saving power. Thirty two were baptized. All departments of the work in a healthy condition.
- GRAND FALLS.—No letter.
- GRAND LAKE, 1ST.—Heavens benediction has rested upon this branch of Zion. Ten baptized.
- GRAND LAKE, 2ND.—No letter.
- HAINSVILLE, LOWER.—No letter.
- HODGDON AND RICHMOND.—Reports a decrease in membership, caused by an exodus of the people.
- JACKSONTOWN.—The church here is rejoicing over their new Pastor; they are "hoping, praying and waiting for the promised blessing."
- JACKSONVILLE.—"Nothing of importance to report."
- JEMSEG.—The letter reports a large increase in membership. Thirty-four have been baptized. The Conference meetings are meetings of great power.
- JOHNSTON, 2ND.—This letter reads: "we are glad to report God has been with us." Nine converts followed the precept and example of Christ in baptism.
- KESWICK, 1ST.—Condition of affairs very deplorable. This church is the victim of "the entire sanctification movement." Prospects brightening.
- KESWICK, 2ND.—No letter.
- KINGSCLEAR, 1ST.—Reports a decrease in members; but an increasing interest in christian work.

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KINGSCLEAR 2ND:—No letter. The clerk is in a position to say that a revival has been enjoyed by this church.

LITTLE SOUTH WEST:—No advance.

LUDLOW:—A united church, one in aim; one in effect for the advancement of the Redeemer's cause—net increase during year four.

MACNAQUAC:—Pastorless—nothing special to report.

MAPLE GROVE:—Little of an encouraging nature, to report.

MAPLE RIDGE:—No letter.

MAUGERVILLE:—This church has been enabled to take another step in the onward direction—nine have been baptized.

MILL COVE:—Enjoyed revival blessings. A net increase of twenty two—fifteen baptized.

NASHWAAK:—Slowly but surely advancing. Attention is being given to outlying districts.

NEW CASTLE G. LAKE:—Pastorless during the associational year.—no advance made.

NEW CASTLE UPPER:—Pastorless—struggling on.

NEW JERUSALEM:—No letter.

NEW MARYLAND:—Pressing on. A net increase of nine by baptism during the year.

NEW SALEM:—Fighting hard—the light of the dawn is becoming visible. Three have been added.

OLIVET OTNABOG:—No letter.

PRINCE WILLIAM:—Large outpouring of God's spirit enjoyed. Thirty three (33) baptized.

QUEENSBURY:—Regular pastoral work sustained. Two baptized—net increase four.

RICHMOND:—A prosperous year.

ROCKLAND:—Holding on—More hopeful outlook than for some time.

SALMON CREEK:—In a fairly prosperous condition.

SCOTCH TOWN:—No letter.

SIMONDS MIDDLE:—No letter.

SHEFFIELD 2ND:—This is a new interest, on new ground. Large revival enjoyed—Thirty-two baptized. Total membership forty nine.

ST. FRANCIS:—This is also a new church, on new ground, in a remote part of the Province. Revival enjoyed—fifteen baptized.

SPRINGFIELD:—The cause here is in a healthy condition—net increase four—one baptized.

TEMPERANCE VALE:—Cast down, but not discouraged

WAKEFIELD:—This church is at work. Outlook hopeful.

WICKHAM LOWER:—One baptized.

WICKHAM UPPER:—Moving onward.

WINDSOR:—Enjoyed a sweeping revival. Twenty-five baptized. Total membership fifty-one

WOODSTOCK, (Albert St.):—The Baptist cause is looking up in this town.

WOODSTOCK LOWER:—Nothing of special interest to report.

WIGGINS COVE:—Reports an increase of three.

NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

CHURCH.	Pastor's Name and P.O. Address.	Year of Settlement	Clerk's Name and Post Office Address.
11 Aberdeen.	H J Shaw, Knowlesville, Car. Co.	1886	Alfred Corey, Knowlesville, Car. Co.
12 Andover.	C H Day, (Lic.)	1889	Isaac Wark, Andover, N. B.
3 Aونداله.	J G Harvey, Waterville.	1887	Albert Plummer, Waterville, Car. Co.
4 Arhurette.	No pastor.		C W Vincent, Maple View, Vic. Co.
5 Benton.	Thos. Todd, Benton.	1888	Johr Hendry, Benton, N B
6 Birch Ridge.	S D Irvine, Birch Ridge.		Chas. W Lewis, Birch Ridge, Vic. Co.
7 Blissfield.	W M Edwards, Doaktown, North Co.	1860	William Swim, Doaktown
8 Bloomfield.	No pastor.		C J McCready, Bloomfield, Car. Co.
9 Bright, (African)			
10 Calvary.	M P King, McDonalds Cor. Q. Co.	1885	Allen McDonald, McDonald's Cor. Queens Co.
11 Cambridge 1st.	" "	1884	F E Wilson, Cambridge, Queens Co.
12 Cambridge 2nd.			
13 Cambridge Lower.	B H Thomas, Mougerville, Sun. Co.	1888	Amos P Thompson, Lakeville Corner, Sun. Co.
14 Canning and Sheffield.	P O Reese, Upper Keswick, York.	1874	D M Saunders, Hamtown.
15 Cardigan.	No pastor.		W S Shaw, Carlisle, Car. Co.
16 Carlisle.	Geo. Howard, Centreville, Car. Co.	1864	F G Burt, Centreville, "
17 Centreville.	W G Corey, Chipman, Queens Co.	1887	D S McGregor, Briggs, Cor. Queens' Co.
18 Chipman.	No pastor.		A C Dow, Canterbury, York Co.
19 Canterbury 1st.	J A Porter.	1888	G F Jamison, Canterbury Station.
20 Canterbury 2nd.			N H Clark, Nacawick, York Co.
21 Dumfries.			Robt. Curtis, Whitneyville, North. Co.
22 Esk North.		1884	C F Hendry, Florenceville, Car. Co.
23 Florenceville.	Geo. Howard, Centreville, Car. Co.	1889	Chas. T Boyer, East Florenceville.
24 Florenceville East.	H Y Corey (Lic).		

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NEW BRUNSWICK WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.—Continued.

CHURCH.	Pastor's Name and P. O. Address.	Year of Settlement.	Clerk's Name and Post Office Address.
25 Forest Glen.	S D Irvine, Tobique River.	1888	J O Curry, Tobique River.
26 Fredericton.	Fred. D Crawley, B. A, F'ron, N B.	1880	H C Creed, M. A. Fredericton, N B.
27 Gageton, Upper.	W E McIntyre, B. A, Up. Gageton.	1887	S U Estabrooks, Swan Creek, Sun. Co.
28 Grand Falls.	C H Day, B. A, (Luc).	1889	J H Day, Grand Falls, Vic. Co.
29 Grand Lake, 1st.			Asa L Smith, Cumberland Point, Q Co.
30 Grand Lake, 2nd.			A F Barton, The Range, Queens Co.
31 Hainsville, Lower			Robt. Haines, Jr., Lower Hainesville, Yor. Co.
32 Richmond and Hogdon	J C Blakney.	1886	Wilnot L Greene, Union Cor., Car. Co.
33 Jacksonville.	S J Archibald, Jacksonville Car. Co.	1888	Geo. C Watson, Jacksontown, Car Co.
34 Jacksonville.	" "	1888	H M Patterson, Upper Woodstock.
35 Jemseg.	" "	1888	C D Dykeman, Upper Woodstock.
36 Johnston 2nd.	A B McDonald, Jemseg.	1888	Albert N Vincent, Long Creek, Queens
37 Keswick 1st.	J D Wetmore, Wickham.	1888	Henry Sloat, Upper Keswick, York Co.
38 Keswick 2nd.	P O Reese, Upper Keswick.	1889	W E Everett, Springhill, "
39 Kingsclear 1st			G A Hammond, Kingsclear, "
40 Kingsclear 2nd.	P R Knight.	1887	W H Jones Littleton, N B.
41 Little South West.	C Currie, Kingsclear, York Co.	1888	J F Clark, Macnaquac, York Co.
42 Ludlow	No pastor.	1888	W S Charlton, Knoxford.
43 Macnaquac.	W M Edwards.	1890	Alex. Long, Ludlow/
44 Maple Grove.	H A Charlton, Knoxford.	1881	J F Clark, Macnaquac, York Co.
45 Maple Ridge.	B H Thomas, Mangerville, Sun. Co.	1888	N P Day, Upper Sheffield, Sun. Co.
46 Mangerville.	M P King.	1896	S A Ferris, Waterboro, N B.
47 Mill Cove.	P R Knight, Penniac.	1885	Luther Goodspeed, Penniac.
48 Nashwaak.			

WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

49. New Castle, (G Lake)
 50. New Castle, upper.
 D J Bailey, New Castle, Grand Lake.
 Sadie Miller, New Castle Bridge, Queens.
 Jessie Webb, New Ferrisville, Queens Co.

1881 J F Clark, Macaquac, York Co.
 W S Charlton, Knoxford.
 1888 N P Day, Upper Sheffield, Sun. Co.
 1886 S A Ferris, Waterboro, N B.
 1885 Luther Goodspeed, Penniac.

H A Charlton, Knoxford.
 B H Thomas, Mangerville, Sun. Co.
 M P King.
 P R Knight, Penniac.

45 Maple Ridge.
 46 Mangerville.
 47 Mill Cove.
 48 Nashwaak.

1881 D J Bailey, New Castle, Grand Lake.
 Sadie Miller, New Castle Bridge, Queens.
 Isaiah Webb, New Jerusalem, Queens Co.
 Adam Noble, Rusaorniah, Sun. Co.
 1860 Edw. Mersereau, Elmsfield, Nor. Co.
 1888 Lev. Estabrook, Prince Wm. Lower, York Co.
 1888 D C Parent, Queensbury, York Co.
 1886 T E Henderson, Debec.
 1889 A W Estabrook, Cold Stream, Car. Co.
 1887 D S McGregor, Briggs Corner.
 Dea. O Stilwell, Scotchtown.
 C P Palmer, Middle Simonds.
 1888 Sherman Gordon, Springfield.
 1887 Sid. T Bailey, Little River, Sun. Co.
 1888 S A Jones, St. Francis.
 1888 S H Scribner Temperance Vale.
 1889 Frank R Shaw, Victoria Corner.
 1888 Alfred McDonald, McDonald's Pt.
 1888 G W McDonald, McDonald's Point.
 1885 H Newtor Wiggins, Daniel, Queens.
 C J Connelly, Windsor.
 1888 W S Saunders, Woodstock.
 1888 Maurice Scott, Eel River, Car Co.

W M Edwards.
 C Currie, Kingslear, York Co.
 J A Porter, Queensbury, York Co.
 J C Blakney.
 C R Minard, (Lic).
 W G Corey.
 J A Porter, Queensbury.
 B H Thomas, Mangerville, Sun. Co.
 C Henderson, St. Francis.
 J A Porter, Queensbury.
 Thos Todd.
 J D Wetmore, Wickham.
 J D Wetmore.
 J W Higgins (Lic). Young's Cove.
 No pastor.
 E J Grant, Woodstock, Car. Co.
 J W S Young.

49 New Castle, (G Lake)
 50 New Castle, upper.
 51 New Jerusalem.
 52 New Maryland.
 53 New Salem.
 54 Olivet (African)
 55 Prince William.
 56 Queensbury.
 57 Richmond South.
 58 Rockland.
 59 Salmon Creek.
 60 Scotchtown.
 61 Simonds, Middle.
 62 Springfield.
 63 Sheffield 2nd.
 64 St. Francis.
 65 Temperance Vale.
 66 Wakefield.
 67 Wickham, Upper.
 68 Wickham, Lower.
 69 Wiggins Cove.
 70 Windsor.
 71 Woodstock.
 72 Woodstock Lower.

B. WESTERN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1889.

restored.	From Churches in Convention.	From Churches Elsewhere.	Died.	Joined other Chs. in Convention	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-Resident Members.	No. of Ordained Mins. Members.	No. of Licentiates.	No. Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	Number of Sitzings	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational objects.	Other monies.	Raised.
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*This amount includes \$17.00 to Annuity Fund and \$42.27 to Charlotte Town Church.

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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1889.

Restored.	From Churches in Convention.	From Churches Elsewhere.	Died.	Joined other Chs. in Convention	Joined Churches elsewhere.	Excluded.	Net Increase.	Net Decrease.	Non-Resident Members.	No. of Ordained Mins. Members.	No. of Licentiate.	No. Houses of Worship.	Value of Houses of Worship.	Number of Sittings.	Value of Parsonage.	Money raised for Local Purposes.	Money raised for Denominational objects.	Other monies Raised.
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WESTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Statistics of the Sabbath Schools in the Churches of the New Brunswick Western Baptist Association for year ending May 31, 1889.

No.	NAME OF CHURCH.	No. of Schools.	Superintendent's Name.	No. of Scholars Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Adults in Classes.	Volumes in Library.	Money expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in year.
1	Andover.....	1	Ja ob Wark.....	23	18	4	7	94	16 00	44		
2	Birch Ridge.....	1	William Swim.....	24	13	3	6	60	2 31	23		
3	Blissfield.....	1	Jas. A. McDonald.....	35	20	3	12	150	10 00	52		
4	Cambridge 1st.....	1	Z. O. Wilson.....	73	44	4	7	19	10 40	5	68	4
5	Cambridge 2nd.....	1	Wm. Cochran.....	41	30	2	2	70		15	2	2
6	Canning & Sheffield	1	Amos Swartz.....	40	33	4	4			8	50	6
7	Cardigan.....	1	B. B. Shaw.....	37	21	4	4			40		
8	Carlisle.....	1	L. J. Herwood.....	113	65	8	7	30	47 83	8 50	51	6
9	Centreville.....	1	W. D. Curtis.....	30	20	3	5		15 00	40		
10	Esk North.....	1	C. T. Henry.....	25	28	3	5		15 00	52		
11	Florenceville.....	1	A. D. Hatley.....	60	35	4	25	120	32 30	52		
12	Florenceville East..	1	A. D. Hatley.....	60	35	4	25	120	32 30	52		
13	Forest Glen.....	1	A. D. Hatley.....	60	35	4	25	120	32 30	52		
14	Fredericton.....	1	Amos Smith.....	49	39	6		100	10 00	52		1
15	Gagetown, Upper..	2	J. W. Spurden.....	296	122	13	25	300	65 00	30 00	52	10
16	Hogdon & Richmond	1	Stephen Watson.....	57	50	6	18			52		
17	Jacksontown.....	1	J. R. Barton.....	25	20	3	15		3 00	25		15
18	Jacksonville.....	1	Rich. Alexander.....	50	50	6	30	125		25		
19	Jemseg.....	1	Robert Hannah.....	50	32	5	9	100	15 00	2 00	52	
20	Johnston 2nd.....	1	C. D. Dykeman.....	90	50	8	15	50	10 00	52		
21	Kingsclear 1st.....	1	Charles Secord.....	30	20	3	15	2	00	25		19
22	Ludlow.....	1	W. E. Everett.....	40	28	5	22	350	20 00	45		
23	Macknaquack.....	1	Abel Pond.....	30	25	3	10	63		1 85	28	
24	Maple Grove.....	1	W. G. Dykeman.....	40	22	5				24		
25	Maugerville.....	1	Lam'ert Williams.....	75	50	7	6	110	9 14	39		
26	Mill Cove.....	1	H. E. Harrison.....	25	20	2	15	75		3		
27	Nashwaak.....	1	J. W. Farris.....	25	20	4	6	70		8		
28	Newcastle Upper..	1	Chris. Manzer.....	15	15	3				12		
29	New Maryland.....	1	Chas. L. Albright.....	40	30	5	12	90	10 00	22		
30	New Salem.....	1	N. Smith.....	25	20	4	7	42		25		
31	Prince William.....	1	David Weaver.....	30	20	4		152		32		
32	Upper Queensbury..	1	L. Estabrooks.....	60	33	5	30	200	15 00	25		
33	South Richmond ..	1	S. W. Parent.....	20	15	2	10	30		26		
34	Rockland.....	1	Daniel Palmer.....	25	20	4	10		6 00	25		
35	Salmon Creek.....	1	A. W. Estabrooks.....	73	23	4	26	300	24 50	52		
36	Sheffield 2nd.....	1	D. S. McGregor.....	25	24	2	23			25		
37	Wickham, Upper..	1	Aaron DeLong.....	36	21	4	10			25		
38	Wickham, Lower..	1	A. McDonald.....	25	15	4	12			20		2
39	Wiggins Cove.....	1	B. B. Wright.....	45	40	4	14			24		7
40	Woodstock.....	1	H. N. Wiggins.....	37	30	4	6			52		
			W. S. Saunders.....	150	119	12	35	200				

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Amounts in Library.	Money expended on Schools.	Moneys raised for Benevolent Objects.	No. of Sundays in Session.	No. of Scholars Baptized in Year.
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10. That Jesus, the eternal Son of God, hath come and taken on him our nature, and in that nature hath yielded a perfect obedience to the law which we have transgressed, and suffered death for our sins, and hath brought in a complete and everlasting righteousness, and hath risen and ascended to the right hand of God, and ever liveth to make intercession for us: John i. 1, 14; Heb. i. 1-3, vii. 25, x. 5-10; Rom. i. 4; Dan. ix. 24.

11. That the Holy Ghost, and He only, can and doth make particular application of the benefits of the atonement, made by Christ, to every elect soul; John iii. 5-8, xvi. 7-15; 1 Cor. xii. 3.

12. That the Spirit of God applies the benefits of this atonement by convincing us of our sinful, lost and miserable condition; and then discovering the glorious Saviour, as He is exhibited in the Gospel, in His suitableness and sufficiency, and enabling us to embrace Him with our whole souls, by which He is made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption: John xvi. 8-11, 13-15; Gal. v. 22-23; 1 Cor. i. 30.

13. That the life of religion consists in the knowledge of God, and conformity with Him in the inward man which necessarily produceth an external conformity to His Commands, and brings us to live in obedience to His Holy will in all our ways, and in our several places and relations: John xvii. 3. 1 Cor. iii. 9; Eph. ii. 10; Col. iii. 2. 3; Gal. ii. 20; Rom. xii. 1-2.

14. That true believers being united to Jesus Christ shall never perish, but live and reign with Him forever. They have communion with God, and by His Spirit are united with each other, and have communion one with another, whereby they are made partakers of each others gifts and graces: John vi. 39, x. 28; Rev. iii. 21; John xvii: 7, 11, 21, xiv. 3; Rom. viii. 38, 39; 1 John i. 3.

15. That the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's Day, is the Christian Sabbath: John xx. 19; Acts xx. 7; 1 Cor. xvii. 2; Rev. i. 10.

16. That God hath appointed the ordinance of Civil Government for defending the poor as well as the rich, in their civil rights, without infringing upon the consciences of any, or attempting to dictate or govern in the worship of eternal God, which belongs only to Jesus Christ, the great law-giver and head of His Church: Mark xii. 17; Rom. xiii. 1-6, 1 Peter ii. 13-15; Matt. xx. 10; Rom. xiv. 4.

17. That there will be a general resurrection, both of the just and the unjust; and that God hath appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness, by Jesus Christ, and will reward every man according to his work; when the wicked will be sent into everlasting punishment, and the righteous received into life eternal: John v. 28-29; Acts xvii. 31, xxiv. 15; Matt. xvi. 29, and xxv. 46.

PART II.—ARTICLES OF PRACTICE.

CONCERNING A VISIBLE CHURCH OF CHRIST AND ITS DISCIPLINE.

1. We believe that a particular visible Church of Christ is a number of baptized believers, by mutual acquaintance and communion voluntarily and understandingly covenanting and uniting together,

for upholding and promoting the worship and service of God to show forth His glory, and for their own edification: 1 Peter ii. 5; Acts ii. 42, ix. 13; Heb. x. 25; Eph. iv. 15, 16.

2. That Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinance of Christ to be continued until His second coming, and that the former is requisite to the latter—that is to say that those are to be admitted into the communion of the Church, and to partake of all its ordinances and privileges who upon profession of their faith have been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost: Matt. xxviii. 19, 29; 1 Cor. xi. 23-26; Acts ii. 41, 42, and ix. 18-26 and viii. 12, 35-29; Matt. iii. 6-16; Rom. vi. 4; Col. ii. 12; Gal. iii. 27; Matt. xxvi. 26-28; Acts xx. 11; 1 Cor. x. 16.

3. That since none but true believers can rightly partake of the ordinances, therefore the door of the church should be carefully guarded against all such who cannot give scriptural evidence of their union with Christ: 1 Cor. xi. 27-29; Matt. vii. 6, 15-20; 1 Peter ii. 5.

4. That a church thus gathered hath power to choose, and by Elders to ordain those officers that Christ hath appointed in His Church, viz., Bishops or Elders and Deacons; and also to depose such officers who walk contrary to the rules of the Gospel; and to discipline their members, though in some cases it may be convenient and profitable to request the advice of the neighboring churches of Christ; Acts i. 21-26, vi. 3-6, xiv. 23, xv. 6-31; 1 Cor. v. 13; 2 Thes. iii. 6, 14, 15; Titus iii. 10.

5. That a Bishop or Elder hath no more power to decide any case or controversy in the Church than any private brother, yet he, having superior gifts for teaching and ruling, ought to exercise and improve the same for the benefit of the church; and the church ought to be subjected to the gifts bestowed on the Minister from the Lord, while he is rightly administering in his place; whose place it is to lead in the actings of the church, and to administer the ordinances of the gospel, and to devote himself to the work of teaching, warning, rebuking and exhorting the people publicly, and from house to house: Matt. xx. 25-29; 1 Peter v. 3; Acts xx. 20-28, 31; Heb. xiii. 17; 1 Thes. v. 12, 13.

6. That the Deacon's office or work is to take care of the poor, and to have the oversight of the temporal affairs of the church, and to administer at the Lord's Table: Acts vi. 1-5; 1 Tim. iii. 8-14.

7. That every believer is commanded to be faithful, to improve every gift and talent which is bestowed on him; in order to which, there ought to be such a gospel freedom that the church may know where every particular gift is, that it may be improved in its proper place, and to its right end, viz., the glory of God and the good of his people: 1 Peter iv. 10, 11, and v. 5; 1 Tim. iv. 14; 1 Cor. 12th and 14th chapters; Rom. xii. 3-8.

8. That there is a mutual obligation between minister and people—one to administer in things religious and spiritual, according to the gifts God has given. The church to communicate of their temporal or worldly substance for his comfort and support, and that by an equality, as nearly as can be ascertained, that one may not be burthened and another eased. But this is not to be effected by force

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or compulsion, or by the sword of civil power ; but it is to be a free will offering, agreeably to the Scriptures of truth ; and every member deficient in this matter ought to be disciplined by Gospel rule, as for any breach of covenant, or neglect of performing Christian duty : Luke x. 7 ; Rom xv. 27 ; 1 Cor. ix. ; Gal. vi. 5.

PART III.—COVENANT.

We do now, in the presence of the great all-seeing, and most glorious God, and before angels and men, give up ourselves to the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and own Him this day to be our God, our Father, our Saviour, and our Leader, and receive Him as our Portion forever. We give up ourselves to the Lord in the covenant of grace, and rely on Him as our Prophet, Priest and King, to bring us to eternal blessedness.

We acknowledge our everlasting and indispensable obligations to glorify God by living a holy, righteous and godly life, in this present world, in all our several places and relations ; and we engage by the assistance of the Divine Spirit, to improve our time, strength, talents and advantages to His glory and the good of our fellow-men ; promising by Divine help, to walk in our houses as becomes those professing godliness, and to maintain the worship of God in our families, and to train up those under our care in the way of religion and virtue.

We also give up ourselves to one another in covenant, promising to conduct ourselves towards each other as brethren in Christ, watching over one another in the love of God, reproving, rebuking, and admonishing one another for good as occasion may require ; and if we at any time know that any of the members of the church are guilty of immoral conduct, we will not exposing them by tattling to others, but will faithfully labor with them according to the directions of our Lord, Matt. xviii. 15-17, that sin may be put away from among us, and that iniquity may not be harbored in the church, and to watch not only against the most gross evils, but also against all foolish talking, and jesting, which are not convenient ; vain disputing about words and things which gender strife ; disregarding promises, and not fulfilling engagements ; tattling and backbiting, and spending time idly at taverns or elsewhere, and vain and unnecessary conversation on the Lord's day, and whatsoever else is contrary to sound doctrine according to the glorious gospel of Christ, promising to hold communion together in the worship of God, and in the ordinances and discipline of his Church, according as we are or shall be, guided by the Spirit of God, in his word ; expecting that he will further and more gloriously open his word and the mysteries of his kingdom ; applying to the blood of the everlasting covenant for the pardon of our many errors, and praying the Lord to prepare and strengthen us for every good work, to do his will working in us that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ ; to whom be glory forever and ever.—*Amen.*

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